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Following a patentability objection discussion by phone on 03.08.2005, between Mr. Watson, Patent Attorney, and Mr. Lommel, Examiner, a new Search Report with WOISA has been issued replacing the previous one dated 29.07.2005.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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